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Committees clash on butterfly worries

by Janis Cain

Pacific Grove's most elite visitors will soon be here.

The annual migration of monarch butterflies in October, however, will feed at least two major controversies. One centers on an abandoned house inside the Monarch Grove Sanctuary, the other is over the rope barricades around butterfly viewing areas.

Eat your heart out, Most Other Towns, USA, because this is one of the enviable worries faced by Butterfly Town, USA.

The unique character and politics of Pacific Grove are reflected in two small

but vocal groups espousing opposing views on how best to host the popular insects.

Katy Travaile, who serves on the City's Natural Resources Committee, says the proposed demolition of the historic house in the Sanctuary is "a tough call," but believes "the butterflies would be better off with a serious windbreak," made up of 60-ft trees, which could be planted where the one-story home now stands.

Last month the City paid \$275 for a demolition permit to level the historic structure, which had only recently been

placed on the City's inventory of historic buildings.

City Manager Mike Huse says the action resulted from the advice of the Natural Resources Committee. No decision has been made on when and if to demolish, but the "process" began at the City Council meeting of August 21.

More recently, another advisory group, the Beautification Committee, has voted unanimously against demolition, saying the house should be preserved for future use.

Builders on the committee report the circa 1914 structure could be rehabilitated for use as a docent station or visitors center, at a cost of less than \$80,000.

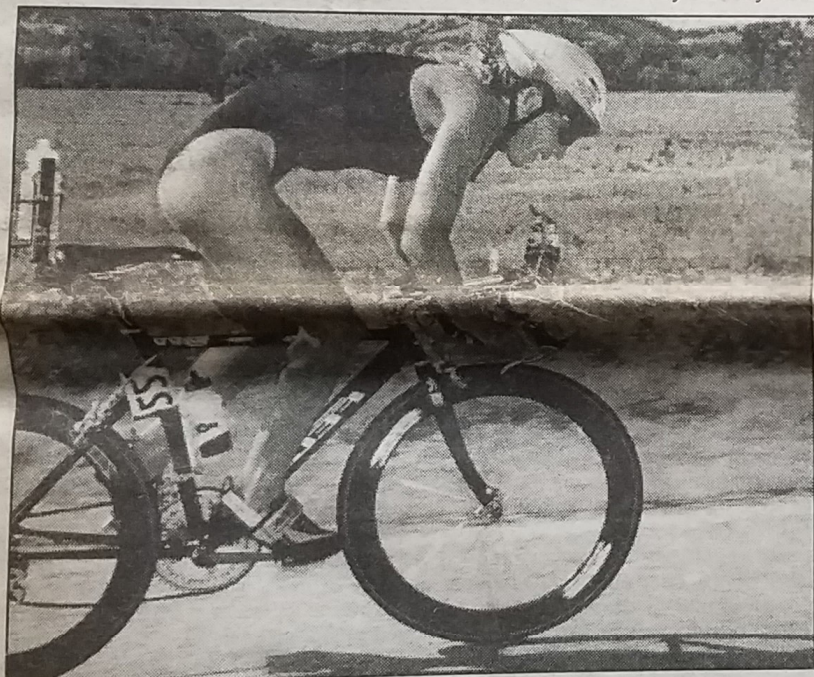
The Natural Resources Committee, earlier this year, assumed responsibility for the butterfly sanctuary, after numerous advisory committees were abolished by the City Council.

Huse says, because the Sanctuary comes "under the purview" of the Natural Resources Committee, advice from the Beautification Committee carries less weight.

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About town: This image of Grover Washington Jr. is among those captured by jazz photographer Will Wallace, whose photographic exhibition opens next weekend at the Pacific Grove Art Center. A reception for Wallace will begin at 7 pm on Friday, September 20 at 568 Lighthouse Avenue, Pacific Grove. See pages 12 & 13 for more arts and entertainment.



Triathlon weekend

Seven-time Hawaii Ironman World Champion Paula Newby-Fraser will be among the world class triathletes competing tomorrow, September 14, when The Triathlon at Pacific Grove returns to the Peninsula. Inside this issue readers will find an eight-page supplement, the official Pacific Grove Triathlon program, donated to the nationally-sanctioned non-profit event by Beacon publisher Eric Colby.

Heads up! Ocean View, Sunset closed for Triathlon competition

The Triathlon at Pacific Grove will require special traffic flow and parking control measures, enforced by the PGPD. The following restrictions apply from 6 am to 4 pm on Saturday, September 14.

Ocean View Boulevard and Sunset will be closed from Forest Avenue to the area of the Fishwife restaurant at Sunset and Asilomar.

Ocean View Boulevard between Forest Avenue and the eastern city limit at Eardley will be restricted to one-way traffic, east bound.

No parking will be allowed on the

entire portion of the waterfront, on either side of the street.

No parking will be allowed in the parking lots around Lovers Point from until 4 pm Saturday, Sept. 14.

The Tinnery and Bath House restaurants are closed to the general public during the event from 6 am until around 3 pm.

Residents living along the course will have access passes to allow entry and exit from their residences during the race. Call 373-0678 for further information on passes.



Splashy new park

SCUBA DIVERS Ken Poe, left, and Jeff Tormey, were impressed with the splashy amenities at the Peninsula's newest park found on Cannery Row at the Coast Guard Station in New Monterey. San Carlos Park features a large lawn and terraced steps to the beach and was a joint effort of the City of Monterey (80%) and the Regional Park District (20%). Sharon Dwight, New Monterey Improvement Program representative, reports development costs were raised over a three-year period from room tax increases.

Sanctuary celebrates birthday at breakwater

Monterey Bay National Marine Sanctuary celebrates its fourth anniversary with a free, all-day environmental fair at Shoreline Park in Monterey, near the Coast Guard breakwater, on Saturday, Sept. 15.

Festivities begin at 10 am with displays and activities presented by dozens of environmental organizations. Visitors can touch live marine animals, learn about native plants and underwater photography, find out how to compost yard waste and garbage, and take part in numerous hands-on activities.

Entertainment includes Red Beans and Rice blues band, as well as a chorus from Monte Vista Elementary School.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

What's in a name

Editor:

It was with unexpected delight to discover "Dyke" park behind the Chautauqua Hall in The Last Home-town!

As a lesbian and a new homeowner in Pacific Grove who's discovered a healthy and burgeoning lesbian population in P.G., my "domestic partner" (aka "lover") and I feel that our investment in a vacation retreat in your little town was a fortuitous move.

We've read up on P/G's history and we are pleased to know that a strong civic-minded woman, Elmarie Dyke, just happened to carry as her last name a moniker for our sexual persuasion — one that's typically employed as a slur. What an intriguing coincidence!

Perhaps someday the lesbian population and its financial influence in Pacific Grove might bring about a name change for this unique seaside village: Dykeville! (To honor Elmarie, of course.)

Suze Rotollo
San Diego

Save the butterfly house

Editor: On August 21 at the City Council meeting, a public hearing took place on whether to demolish or retain/restore the last building on the Historical list at the Monarch Grove Sanctuary.

Nearby residents spoke to have it removed. The Natural Resources Committee gave 10 reasons why it should be removed, one of them being the enormous cost to restore. The Friends of the Monarch, the Committee to save Brokaw Hall, and a few residents stated that it should be restored and gave their reasons.

The City, because of some previous circumstance, had to order the demolition permit to be drawn, but remarked that the Council would look into the comments from the public hearing and review this item at a later date.

I believe that I have a solution that satisfies all the committees, as well as the neighbors around the Sanctuary who do not want more people and parking problems.

The building should be saved, because it is part of the naturalness and history of this Grove. I suggest **only** the exterior be "uplifted," by making it appear similar to the buildings designed by Julia Morgan at the Asilomar Conference Grounds. The rock fireplaces on either side of the building are wonderful. With a new roof, shingles over the present siding, and paned windows with curtains so the interior would not be visible, would make this property darling. I see this home in the future as a focal point of oil paintings.

This home need not be occupied at all — no public use. Perhaps a plaque could be placed with a little of the interesting history. People could sit on the benches nearby and reflect about the past. The cost to restore only the outside would be minimal, I would think.

Tearing down the building would make the area boring, especially during

the times the butterflies are not there. It would be like Washington Park, and we already have Washington Park. Fixing the exterior of the home would create a scene.

Both sides should feel this was a good compromise, (keep the building, fix the facade, but allow no use.) and if more investigation as to the tenets of the purchase agreement and bone assessment are clearly defined, then, perhaps the best decision could be made about the future of the home. The structure should have been worked on starting in 1991 when the fencing, pathways, benches, plantings and information kiosk were improved. The \$35 a year in our property taxes was for the purchase and preservation of the property, and to me, that means the buildings too.

Please give the little home a chance.

Connie Perry
Pacific Grove

Vote for less government

Editor: As the Democratic Convention concludes, Bill Clinton's whistlestop arrival has made the distinction abundantly clear between what he stands for as opposed to Bob Dole.

During Clinton's four-day train trip through crucial vote states he promised \$8.5 billion spending on new social programs, including \$2.75 billion to **teach children how to read** — an obvious acknowledgment of a failed public schools system. He was very careful (but not too boisterous) to identify the source of this new money by quietly revealing details of a new plan to tax businesses and corporations. Additional taxes on small export companies, companies emerging for efficiency, and even a fee of \$225 for each flight taken by a corporate jet.

Once again we are presented the traditional tax and spend failed policy of past Democrat administrations. Those who provide jobs to our citizens are supposed to take another hit to fund give-away programs. Clinton still doesn't understand the basic economic fact of business that additional cost requires companies to further economize, frequently resulting in downsizing and job losses.

Clinton's give-aways are in reality job terminators, adding to the welfare mess. Thank you Bill for making this November's choice abundantly clear. Smaller government, less taxes, productivity increases with more jobs, are represented by Bob Dole. Bill Clinton, trying to masquerade as a conservative, has finally answered the question — will the real Bill Clinton please stand up? The real Bill Clinton represents tax, spend, big government and control of the masses.

My vote goes for small government.

John R. Savory
Pacific Grove

Is nothing sacred?

Editor: I'm in awkward position. My neighbor goes through the recycle bins of trash at my home as well as those of

our neighbors, removing all redeemable items.

I'm appalled, as I believe this is an illegal practice, but I'm not sure how to handle the situation.

Please shed some light on this for me.

Name withheld by request

Misconception on Davi

Editor: Someone needs to dispel the rumor that 5th District Supervisorial candidate Jeff Davi is a developer. Mr. Davi sells houses similar to those his opponent develops. There is a misconception that his opponent is a died-in-the-wool environmentalist. He has suddenly become one since that is where the votes are.

Mr. Davi is now and always has been concerned about the environment, being a product of a generation which is acutely aware of the threat to the quality of life which over-building causes. After speaking to Jeff Davi for the greater portion of an hour, I find him to be sensitive to the increased traffic congestion and the constant repair caused by such traffic on our streets, the overtaxing of our infrastructure, such as water and sewer system, and the threat to our air quality.

Mr. Davis is especially concerned about the plans for build-out at Ft. Ord. He believes that **this ambitious plan is far and beyond that necessary to compensate for the loss of the 35,000 troops and residents who formerly occupied that army base.**

One needs to spend about a half-hour with Jeff Davi to see that he comes across as a person with integrity, honesty and forthrightness — qualities sorely needed at all levels of government. His fiscal conservatism would be a breath of fresh air on the board of supervisors, which has constantly found itself in lawsuits and settlements which has cost county taxpayers well over a million dollars in the past four years.

Stephanie L. Jonasson
Monterey

Chamber support cheered

Editor: As an innkeeper in the City of Pacific Grove, I want to thank Mayor Sandy Koffman and the Council for supporting the Pacific Grove Chamber of Commerce.

Your efforts to revitalize the Chamber have been greatly appreciated by its members. In recent years, the Chamber has been transformed to a productive organization that provides meaningful services to both its members & visitors.

As you may be aware, a great deal of the Chamber's success is due to the guidance provided by the Board of Directors and staff. Years of hard work and volunteer dedication resulted in a viable Chamber, giving local business a boost with minimal impact on the City.

All of the members I have spoken with expressed excitement at the Chamber's new-found vitality, and we appreciate it. Local motel owners,

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restaurateurs, and other small businesses have experienced a steady growth in Chamber-based referrals.

In supporting the Chamber, the City of Pacific Grove has helped to ensure stronger transient occupancy tax and other tax revenues that will be used to benefit our community through public services.

Again, thank you for your support.

Greg Zimmerman
The Larchwood Inn
Pacific Grove

Kudos to the City Council Editor:

I was very sorry to be out of town during the dedication of the Pacific Grove Youth Center. It is the culmination of four years of work to re-establish a center for the youth of our community.

The wonderful memories of those who grew up here using the youth Center under the guidance of Ruby Nodilo were what guided me to pursue this goal. Just as years ago there were kids who needed the caring and safe-haven provided by Ruby and the Youth

Center, so we have the same kids today...perhaps the need is even greater now.

There are many people to thank for the re-establishment of the Youth Center. Certainly, Madelyn Sloan and her 8th Grade History class for coming to City Council and presenting a case - for the importance of the kids in our community - far better and more convincingly than I ever could have done myself. The case having been made and with Vern Yadon and Bruce Roberts as strong advocates on my council for kids, the process was started. A unanimous vote by my council returned the Youth Center to the kids of Pacific Grove.

It has been another two years, but the community and the current City Council have pushed forward and maintained our commitment to a Youth Center. I want to commend them for completing the process.

It will be up to all of us in the community to make this Youth Center as successful and positive as when Ruby was director.

Jeanne Byrne
Former Mayor of Pacific Grove

OPINION

Senior Housing needs push

IT IS entirely likely that the members of the Senior Housing Committee feel they are moving right along. What they fail to appreciate is the fact that the town has been slogging down this road for the past twenty-odd years. There was a time when use of the Fountain-Laurel parking lot was hamstrung by deed restrictions imposed by W. R. Holman. Those restrictions, according to City Manager Mike Huse, are no longer applicable.

More recently, there was concern that the city might not be able or willing to allocate water for senior housing. Council has removed that hurdle by allocating water from the Pebble Beach reclamation project.

Some few individuals were concerned about a loss of parking. Architect Ted Larson has submitted a plan that would actually add parking spaces.

One recently-announced candidate is fearful that Pacific Grove residents would not get first chance at new housing. He needs to make himself acquainted with the facts. There is nothing to prevent Grovians from having priority.

It is about time to lay cards on the table. The Senior Housing Committee should ask Council to fish or cut bait. The committee is in danger of becoming so involved in bureaucratic surveys that it loses sight of its mission: To provide decent affordable housing for the town's elderly.

Seven agencies have indicated a willingness—nay, an eagerness—to get the job done. If the SHC is sincere, it will ask Council to hand the ball off to one of those seven. There is little to be gained by another series of "studies."

The time has come for the committee to get out of the way and let the professionals take over. This is too serious a matter for amateurs. -- Neill Gardner

Those apron strings

ALTHOUGH OUR leaders may indignantly deny it, it is still difficult for many City Hall watchers to disassociate themselves from the feeling that some Councilmembers remain tied to the apron strings of earlier administrations.

At last week's session, it appeared that Council might for once refuse to do former Mayor Flo Schaefer's bidding. But when push came to shove, Schaefer got what she demanded.

One Councilmember after another agreed that there was no pressure from the residents involved to change the RH zoning in the Del Monte Beach Tract. On the contrary, it is already built out and most folks wanted to leave things just as they were. (See story, page 4)

Councilman Vern Yadon wondered just exactly why the matter was before Council. Unfortunately, no one had an answer.

We look forward to the election of Morris Fisher to Council. Surely he will not kowtow to every proposal made to satisfy the ego of out-of-office politicians. This town has had about enough of their anti-everything antics. -- Neill Gardner

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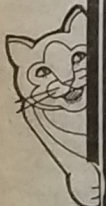
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CITY OF PACIFIC GROVE NEWSBRIEFS

Council rezones RH; no one asked for it

by Neill Gardner

Although several councilmembers noted the absence of a request from the residents for such action, City Council at its Sept. 4 session eliminated the special RH zoning which allows extra-low roofs in a 15-block area of the city.

According to an agenda report, when the Planning Commission held a public hearing on July 18 on the matter, the only person speaking in support was Flo Schaefer, whose primary concern seemed to be elimination of flat roofs on two-story houses.

At that session, Jackie Haag spoke against revision of the roof provision. Homes involved are in the area bounded

by Esplanade, 17-Mile Drive, Crest, Del Monte and Ocean View Blvd.

Pat Hensley, a member of the Building Standards Committee, was opposed to changing the old RH roof regulations.

John and Lorrie Bridges, who live on Surf Street, told Council they wanted the RH zone left alone "to preserve the unique characteristics of our neighborhood."

A letter from Connie Perry, another Surf Street resident, said, "Our neighborhood is unique and different from many others in town. I have spoken with many of my neighbors and we like it this way, which is why we live here."

Schaefer urged Council to eliminate

RH zoning during a 10-minute session at the microphone, then returned for another attempt to persuade them a few minutes later.

Councilman Jim Costello said the proposal had generated less interest than just about anything he could recall. "If the residents are happy, why are we doing this?" he asked.

Councilman Vern Yadon pointed out the fact that the area in question is already about built out. He wondered exactly why the change was being proposed, adding that he could see no hardship in the present zoning.

Yadon said the change appeared to be a matter of "administrative convenience." He said he was not hearing people saying change is needed.

In the end, Council went along with the zone merger, limiting corner lot setbacks to 15 feet and eliminating flat roofs on two-story homes. Councilman Bob Davis had stepped down. He owns property in the area.

In other action, Council:

+Dealt with cars parked on the street for repairs or for sale.

+Allotted \$35,000 to Pouncing Pachyderm Productions of Pescadero for exhibit at Museum.

+OK'd helicopter landing in Corporation Yard during mass casualty training on Sept. 16.

+Approved \$2004 for handrails at Youth Center.

+Named City Manager Huse as voting delegate at League of California Cities meeting in Anaheim. City Attorney George Thatcher will be his alternate.

+Approved 5% pay raise for city employees.

+Heard several protests concerning proposed removal of stop sign at Egan and 17-Mile Drive.

+Decided David Johansen's request for \$10,000 for recycling gear deserved further study.

+Accepted Affordable Housing Committee report on 17-Mile Drive Village which said Hank Fisher "verbally acknowledged an error." Staff will follow up on possible reimbursements.

+Heard Dr. Stephen Bailey's report on guidelines for museum exhibits. Huse called them "succinct, explicit and implementable."

+Got into an extended discussion concerning non-resident club members at the golf links. Councilmember Robert Huitt suggested that while the Council appeared to be confused, the golfers seemed to know what they were doing.

+Discussed shoreline preservation fund.

+Talked about vehicles parked on sidewalks. At length. One protestant sent a letter to Mike Huse and a copy to the Chief of Police, warning them to fix the problem before she sent a copy to Council. Huitt was concerned about fire trucks on the sidewalk while school kids are heading home.

+Asked Huse to set up a joint meeting with the school district.

+Backed away from Councilmember Terrence Zito's protest to the Fort Ord Reuse Agency.

Police arrest 56, cite hundreds

PGPD responded to 1,094 calls for help during the month of August. 57 crimes were committed, in addition to 100 misdemeanors, 12 warrants and eight drunk driving incidents. A total of 56 arrests were made during the month.

The traffic enforcement division reported 21 accidents, involving eight injuries. A total of 153 moving violation tickets were issued, along with 526 warnings. The parking enforcement division issued 810 citations and police officers issued another 99, for a total of 909 parking tickets in all.

On the animal control front, a total of

27 dogs were picked up with all being returned to their owners. A total of five animal bite incidents required five quarantine notices.

The Fire Department responded to 94 incidents including two fire calls. Fire damage was \$175,000 for a cumulative loss of \$3376,000 so far this year.

Hundreds of children and adults were taught fire prevention by the Disaster and Fire Prevention Safety Trailer at the Monterey County Fair, staffed by the Monterey County Fire Prevention Officers Association.

What's best for the butterflies

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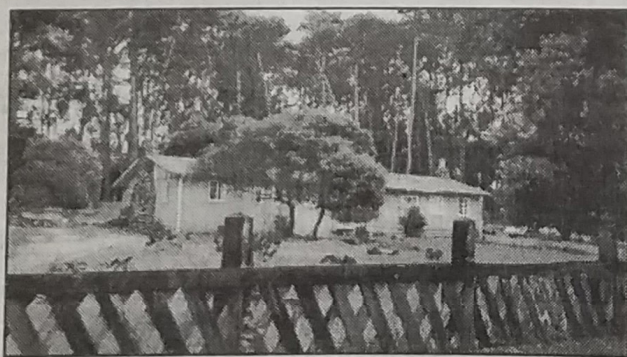
Travaille says the impact of additional visitors to the Sanctuary would increase traffic, impacting the neighbors, if the old house were converted to a visitor's center.

Jill Stewart, chair of the Beautification Committee, (whose members were briefly responsible for the butterfly sanctuary) says the old building in the sanctuary has historic value and "doesn't seem to have been disturbing the butterflies at all."

Ro Vaccaro, president of Friends of the Monarchs, reports "This house is 70 feet long, 25 feet high and has been there for 82 years, buffering the wind in the microclimate. It should not be removed from the habitat."

The City of Pacific Grove went into debt for more than a million dollars to purchase the land where butterflies faithfully return every autumn. Numerous worldwide

media reports have encouraged additional visitors to Pacific Grove's monarch habitat, creating concerns for those who believe a disturbance of the micro-climate may cause the butterflies to abandon the Grove.



LAST YEAR the City took emergency action in George Washington Park where visitors were reportedly damaging butterfly turf. A rope fence appeared, which served the dual function of leading visitors to the butterfly area and of marking the trail. Travaille says a recommendation will be presented to City Council to re-establish the rope fence. She realizes the idea of fencing in a natural area will be objectionable to some people, however, when the use of an area increases to the point where the resource that draws butterflies is being "loved to death," measures must be taken to protect that which is special, she told the Beacon.

Stewart says the ropes give a construction-in-progress appearance and are unnecessary. She also disagrees with Travaille's theories on how best to protect the butterflies. "Butterflies and visitors have survived each other year after year, forever. I don't have a background in botany, but I can see that those who come to view the butterflies are not destroying the habitat."

Mann named principal at PGHS, Cobb postpones retirement, again

Former Superintendent of Schools Jay Cobb will come out of retirement a second time next week to serve as Interim Principal of PG Middle School where the recently appointed new Principal Linda Mann is preparing to move up to the principal's office at PG High School, where Principal Karl Black has resigned to take a job with California State University at Monterey Bay.

All of the above was announced recently by Dr. Barry Schimmel, who became Superintendent of PGUSD earlier this summer after Cobb's second retirement from the position.

Cobb has agreed to serve the District while the Board of Education searches for a new middle school principal.



Linda Mann



Jay Cobb

Mann moved from the high school to the middle school in July after Principal Chris Whitmore resigned. She has now been appointed by the Board of Education to take the position of Principal at PGHS where, reports Schimmel, she enjoys broad based support from staffs, parents and students.

Schimmel also recently announced salary increases for teachers after the Board of Trustees ratified a two-year contract with the Pacific Grove Teachers Association.

Teachers will receive a 4.5% salary increase for school year 1996-97 and a 3.5% increase for 1997-98. If property tax revenue growth exceeds current

projections, teachers could also receive a 3% increase in the district's contribution toward employee health benefits in 1997-98. A one-time payment of 0.5% for 1995-96 has already been approved.

Election '96

Costello's Peninsula roots run deep

By Neill Gardner

Jim Costello, running for reelection to the Pacific Grove City Council, wants to make it clear that his candidacy is not tied to anyone's apron strings. "I haven't asked for support from any faction and I am not seeking contributions," Costello said. "I don't want to owe anyone."

Costello doesn't suffer from lack of name recognition. His father, the late Jimmy Costello, had his name splashed all over the Monterey Herald for 38 years where he was City Editor. "He would be shocked by many of the changes that have taken place on the Peninsula. He would be astounded to learn that Fort Ord was closed down."

Costello the younger has been in the public eye himself, deeply involved in the town's only two major civic building projects in the past quarter century. After a bond issue aimed at building a new police station failed in the early 1970s, Costello joined Bill Tosch and Gil Preston in a second campaign.

Police, forced to operate out of two small rooms in the circa 1912 City Hall, were hard put to maintain a dignified atmosphere. Costello, serving as publicity agent for the bond campaign, capitalized on the fact by shaming the community for treating its gendarmes like Keystone Kops. His strategy worked.

Costello, who teaches sixth graders at Pacific Grove Middle School, was a prime mover in the recently completed Youth Center. Dedication of that project,

which had wallowed in small town politics for years, brought him a great deal of satisfaction.

Costello's Peninsula roots run deep. His great grandfather's family owned San Carlos Ranch until 1923. "They came to California in the Gold Rush, found gold

and went into business in San Francisco. The town of Bradley is named for one of his great-grandfather's brothers.

"After they sold San Carlos Ranch, my grandmother taught at Bay School. Later, my daughter attended that school. Elmarie Dyke was one of my father's teachers."

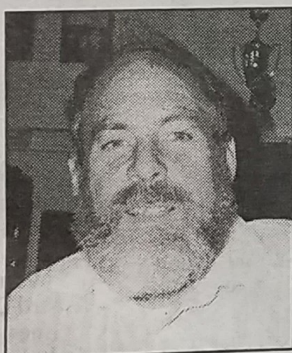
Costello attended Monterey High, then graduated from Robert Louis Stevenson in

Pebble Beach. He earned his BA in political science at Davis and his teaching credential at Monterey Institute of Foreign Studies, where he taught for four years.

For his "fun thing," Costello builds jumps for the Pebble Beach Equestrian Center, where his wife Jeanne keeps her horse. His brothers built cross country courses for the Olympics in Korea and at Atlanta.

Costello sees a new Civic Center in the town's future. He also envisages a new senior housing project for the city.

Costello has only kind words for Mayor Sandy Koffman. "She just wants to make everything in the town work." One comes away with the feeling that Costello has about the same philosophy concerning city government.



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Life at the laundry--a family affair

by Janis Cain

When Tom Finklang closed escrow on an old Pacific Grove building in 1994, he was 55 years old and ready for an early retirement. Although he'd spent 35 years in suits and ties as a financial planner, no amount of planning could have prepared him for the ups and downs of life at 472 Lighthouse Avenue, the old Grove Laundry Building.

Last Saturday, as he swept the sidewalks around his evolving Grove Homescapes business (where the laundry once stood), Finklang reflected on the self-described naiveté that allowed him to undertake the realization of a dream for his sons, Thompson, 35, and Beau, 34.

Thompson and Beau had been asked about their "dream" careers and spoke of combining their individual interests in art and plants, as well as returning to their hometown of Pacific Grove. The rest is a study in perseverance.

For more than two and a half years, the Finklang family has tended not only to the creation of beauty on a commercial lot, but also to the gift of family and their devotion to one another.

Finklang's Egyptian-born, French-raised wife, Claude, was an enthusiastic component of the emerging dream come true for "the boys." She became consumed by the project from the beginning, and was a quick study on construction practices. She won't see completion of the project that's now dedicated to her memory; Claude lost her battle with breast cancer in April.

THE ORIGINAL Grove Laundry, since torn down, was built in 1914. The existing Grove Building, built in 1927, resembled a large warehouse until the current transformation.

The focal point of the outdoor garden shop, opened on June 14, is a gazebo built from the old laundry building windows and lumber salvaged from the reconstruction.

In addition to the garden shop, The Grove Building itself will house the home environment galleries of the Grove



GROVE HOMESCAPES, Lighthouse Avenue at 12th.

Never, in the history of reconstruction, Finklang told the Beacon, is anything what it seems to be.

AMONG THE many difficulties encountered during the project was the discovery of an underground spring and a major formation of granite below the building.

"But God smiled on us," Finklang recalled, because a fracture found in the granite was at the exact spot where the pump had to go, to deal with the groundwater.

The spring now supplies all watering needs of the garden and pond. The granite carved from beneath the building has been turned into a stone bench and garden walls.

COMPLETION AND opening of the entire Grove Homescapes environment is expected in November. Meanwhile, the garden shop is thriving, open seven days a week.

The mix of plants, art, garden goods and home theater equipment will not be left to chance. Atriums, stone floors, skylights and careful attention to detail will bring the outdoors in, the indoors out.

Thompson, whose art education spanned UCLA and studies in Vienna, takes pride in the transformation nearly completed. "Basically, we took out everything that was ugly and recreated it to look handsome and strong."

The family is now collecting portfolios of local artists, who will be featured in a gallery and on walls throughout the building.

Acclaimed local pianist Jonathan Lee, who happens to be a neighbor on 12th Street, adjacent to Grove Homescapes, will play at the grand piano — coming soon to the ground floor.

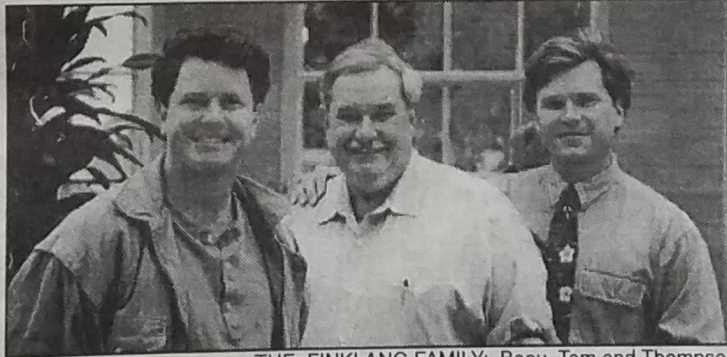
NOT ALL THE neighbors are partial to the project. Several have signed letters of complaint about the construction itself, and also over fears of future parking problems on the narrow 12th and 13th streets bordering Grove Homescapes. Some say the Finklangs have received favorable treatment from City Hall.

"Construction is a miserable thing for neighbors," Thompson conceded. "And a construction project that spans years can take its toll on the neighbors."

Contrary to earlier reports, a recent Traffic Commission report verified the family had made no requests for changes to parking restrictions on either 12th or 13th Streets. "Many who had opposed us," Finklang noted, "have now come in to apologize, saying they had been misinformed."

As for the cost of "trying to be a good neighbor," Finklang has spent thousands of dollars on storm drains, sidewalks, and electrical work, "for the benefit of the City and our neighbors — not just ourselves."

LEANING INTO his broom handle, surrounded by remarkable architectural amenities, Finklang shook his head saying, "I don't have the background to be here, doing what I'm doing, except that I love my boys. My wife and I wanted to make a home and future for them."



THE FINKLANG FAMILY: Beau, Tom and Thompson

Homescapes, Peninsula Home Theater and residential apartments for Thompson and Beau on the third floor.

Included from the beginning of the project was Finklang's "other son," Rhett Allen Smith, who is a lifelong schoolmate and friend of Thompson and Beau — now the owner of Peninsula Home Theater.

Smith's company, which operates from the basement space added to the original building, does design and installation of custom audio, video, communication and automation control equipment.

During the construction project, Smith used his cabinet and millwork background to remake the original laundry's old growth lumber, into all 113 windows and doors found throughout the building.

Thompson noted that the total home environment concept focusing on home comfort and amenities makes for a good meld of the two businesses and will allow cascading plants and digitized technology to mix in one environment.

Thompson earns national award representing taxpayers

by Janis Cain

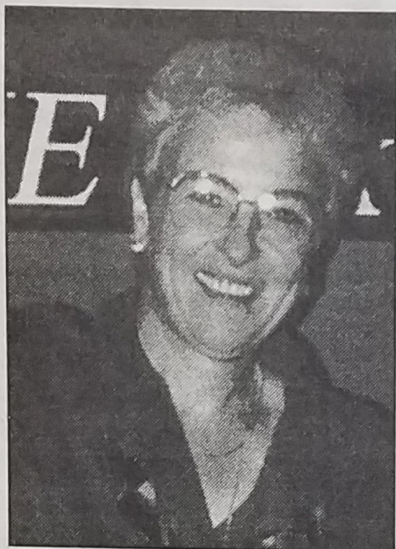
"The only thing I like better than fighting with the IRS," says Pacific Grove resident Carol W. Thompson, EA, "is teaching others how to fight with the IRS."

Thompson recently won a huge award in her field, the national Excellence in Education award from the national Association of Enrolled Agents Education Foundation.

Thompson is recognized not only for her expertise in dealing with the IRS, but also for her volunteer work on behalf of disaster victims from Loma Prieta to Hurricane Andrew. After the basics of food, clothing and shelter, she told a "Good Morning America," audience, victims need help in reconstructing tax materials for the IRS. Earlier this year she was quoted in Newsweek Magazine.

The "EA" Enrolled Agent credentials attached to her name signify Thompson's role as a tax professional authorized by the Treasury Department to represent taxpayers before the IRS at all administrative levels. The national group has over 9,500 members.

Citing her volunteer activities and accomplishments, one nominating letter asked the question: When does Carol find time to earn a living? Another noted: Carol's sense of humor, extremely



professional manner, expertise and knowledge of tax and administrative tax law has made her an invaluable educator of Enrolled Agents and the general public.

"Earthquakes, fires and floods," she said, "can always hit close to home." Thompson urges all to be prepared for the next disaster. For a copy of her brochure on disaster preparation, call 373-0553.

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957 SYIDA DRIVE: \$210,000, Janet L. Wachtel to Alan B. Young, 8/19/96.

1250 SINEX AVE: \$190,500, Gerald G. Gavzy to Greg J. Zimmerman, 8/21/96.

109 4TH ST: \$295,000, Fred J. and Catherine Flatley to Gregory W. Cava, 8/22/96.

849 OCEAN VIEW \$785,000, Roger R. and Sally J. Post to Barbara A. Swofford, 8/26/96.

237 GRANITE ST: \$195,000, Gregory F. and Stacey N. Vasey to James P. Cain, 8/27/96.

311 PRESCOTT LANE: \$195,000, Karen N. Nadeau to Andrey A. and Irina V. Bolotnikov, 8/27/96.

1030 RANSFORD CIRCLE: \$344,000, Ralph E. and Joan M. Glende to Kenneth L. Booth, 8/27/96.

981 RANSFORD AVE: \$250,000, Linda K. Hughes to Leslie Woods, 8/28/96.

138 9TH STREET: \$375,000, Dawn S. Sare to Penn & Viola Gonzales Hughes, 8/29/96.

1321 LINCOLN AVENUE: \$200,000, Marsha H. Armour to Erik B. Nelson, 8/29/96.

718 ROSEMONT AVENUE: \$229,500, Robert A. and C. Dorothy Lukas to Robert & Pamela Norris, 8/30/96.

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3892 RONDA RD: \$1,250,000, Gregory T. and Randi J. Roberts to David S. and Paula Rosen, 8/20/96.

13 SHEPHERDS KNOLL: \$350,000, Donald D. and Laverne Dauer to Bert and Lotte Mendelsohn, 8/22/96.

RIATA ROAD: \$625,000, C. Janet Schmied to Rosemary Pitlyk, 8/23/96.

2831 SLOAT ROAD: \$535,000, Kenneth L. Booth to Charles G. & Jeanne M.

Daney, 8/26/96.

949 SAND DUNES ROAD: \$1,055,000, Community Hospital Fund to John R. and Carolyn S. Sanders, 8/30/96.

4031 MORA LANE: \$366,955, William R. Morse to John N. and Mary L. Adams Bailey, 8/30/96.



Docents in costumes needed for home tour

Volunteer hosts are needed for the 27th annual Pacific Grove Victorian Home Tour on Sunday Oct. 13. Victorian-type costumes are the appropriate attire for docents during the 10 am - 4 pm event, sponsored by the PG Heritage Society, Pacific Grove Art Center, and the Chamber of Commerce. Call the 375-2208 for more on this hometown tradition.

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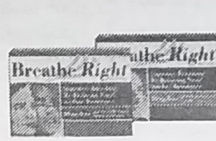
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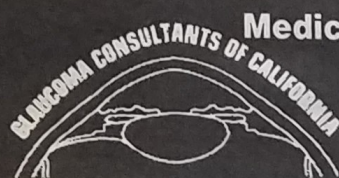
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COMMUNITY NEWSBRIEFS

Workday at stadium

Another day of volunteer work to repair the bleachers in the Breakers' Stadium is scheduled for Saturday, Sept. 28 from 9 to noon. Volunteers should report to the athletic field at 9 or call Fran Avakian at 375-0109 for information. Labor is all volunteer help and materials are being provided by the Kiwanis Club and other contributors.

Supervisory Candidates Jeff Davi and Dave Potter will be stumping in Pacific Grove Tuesday morning, October 1, at a regular 7:30am breakfast meeting of the local Kiwanis Club. Each speaker will give a short speech and answer questions. Guests are welcome to join Kiwanians in the Meals on Wheels Building, 700 Jewell Ave. Fran Avakian at 375-0109 for more info.

PB Equestrian Show. The Strides and Tides Horse Show, which began Wednesday, Sept. 11, continues today and ends Sunday, Sept. 15 at the Pebble Beach Equestrian Center. Events are scheduled from 8am - 5pm daily. Hunter Jumper events, held in five different arenas, are participated in by horses and riders from all over California.

The Pebble Beach Fall Horse Trials will be held Sat. & Sun. Sept. 21 and 22. Dressage and stadium jumping begins at 8am and 10am at the Equestrian Center on Saturday. Cross-country events begin Sunday at 8am at the Bird Rock Hunt Course in the Monterey Peninsula Country Club. No charge for spectators. Gate fee \$7 for non-residents.

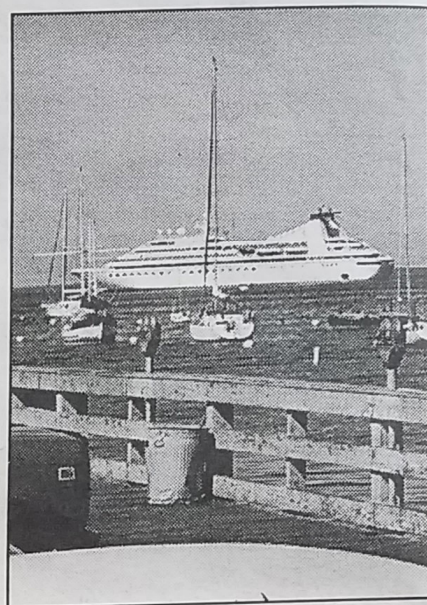
Republican Women of Monterey Bay invite readers to an annual fund raiser Friday, Sept. 20. A dinner and silent auction will be held at the Monterey Elks Lodge, 150 Mar Vista Dr., Monterey at 6pm. David Ririe, prisoner of war during WWII, will speak of his experiences and accounts of courage of a well known Republican. Local candidates will be present. \$25 per person. Call Chris O'Neill for reservations at 372-9231.

Constitution Day. Tuesday, September 17, marks the 209th birthday of the USA, an observance to be celebrated by the Commodore Sloat Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution during a noon luncheon meeting at the Hyatt Classic Residence. DLI Provost Ray Clifford will speak. Guests are welcome. Call Jean Waner, 625-3037.

Erik Haag, a chiropractor residing in Pacific Grove, was recently elected to the 1996-97 board of directors of the Monterey Chapter of The Flying Doctors. The organization includes volunteer members of the health industry who provide badly needed care to residents of remote areas in Northwestern Mexico.

Beth Penny, Pacific Grove writer, editor and president of the Feast of Lanterns board of directors, will be included in the 20th edition of the Marquis Who's Who of American Women, 1997-98.

AAUW will hold its local chapter Fall General meeting September 21, at the home of Mez Benton, 1410 Manor Road,



New to the community this month was the first of what may be many cruise ships anchored in Monterey Bay, off Wharf Two. Photo by Eric Colby.

Monterey. A prize will be awarded for the most patriotic, casual wear, outfit. Any college graduate is eligible to join. Call 624-6672 for reservations.

Coastal Cleanup. Saturday, September 21 at noon, is the time set for volunteers to clean up *Asilomar State Beach*. Meet on the beach. The Pacific Grove Eco-Corps will provide refreshments. Call 373-6949 or 375-2140 for more info.

Monarch Grove work party is scheduled by the Pacific Grove Eco-Corps at 10am Saturday, September 28 at the Sanctuary. Weeding and watering are on tap. Bring gloves & trowels. Coffee & donuts will be served. Call 373-6949 or 375-2140 for more info.

Rancho San Carlos Hikes. Guided hikes and nature walks suitable for all levels and abilities are scheduled twice a month. Hikes are about 2 hours. Hike are guided by Suzanne Sawyer, formerly coordinator for teacher programs at the Monterey Bay Aquarium. No fee. Reservations necessary: Call 626-3068.

A docent proposal

The expanded docent training program for the upcoming monarch butterfly season gets underway Sunday, September 15, 4 pm, at the Museum of Natural History.

Noted butterfly scientist Kingston Leong from Cal Poly will be explaining the monarch's micro-habitat and offering insight into what keeps the colorful insects coming back to Pacific Grove.

Ro Vaccaro, the docent's docent, and president of Friends of the Monarchs, invites others to "share the joy she has found as a docent in the butterfly sanctuary" by taking part in the training classes.

Taining classes for new docents will be held on three Saturdays: September 21, 28 and Oct. 5 at the Museum and at the habitats. Docenting will begin on Oct. 12, immediately following the Butterfly Parade.



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Welcome to The Triathlon at Pacific Grove!

We are delighted you are here to participate in Pacific Grove's second annual triathlon and are certain you will enjoy this exciting event staged along our magnificent coastline.

This busy weekend promises to be filled with all the fun, excitement, and activity that an Olympic distance triathlon event can offer. We do hope you will find at least a few moments during your visit here to relax and enjoy Pacific Grove's "Last Home Town" hospitality.

We also wish to thank you for your participation, as a portion of event proceeds will be donated to The Monterey Bay Aquarium, The Pacific Grove Recreation Department Youth Program, the Pacific Grove Ocean Rescue Team and the Calvary Chapel of the Monterey Peninsula.

Whether you are a professional or amateur triathlete or an enthusiastic spectator, we appreciate your presence in our city, with you a week-end filled with special memories, and invite you to return often to the City of Pacific Grove and the Monterey Peninsula often.

Again, on behalf of the people of Pacific Grove, I extend a warm welcome to our city and wish all participants the very best of luck!

Sincerely,

Sandra L. Koffman

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Mayor

USA Triathlon National Club Championships to be decided at Pacific Grove

USA Triathlon, triathlon's national governing body, awarded The Triathlon at Pacific Grove the "National Club Championships" for 1996 and 1997. Although Triathlon Clubs have been a fundamental part of this sport across the country for years this is the first time they will compete against each other in a national arena. The Club teams will be the first wave of the day at 7:45am. Each club will have a team of two or four men and women. All members of the team complete all three disciplines, and the team with the best combined scores of their two top men and two top women will be crowned champions. There are two divisions in the National Championships: the "Open Division" (team members any age) and the "Masters Division" (all team members must be over 40 years of age). You can expect some of the best amateur triathletes to compete in the Championships with combined times to be about 9 hours. The announcers will keep you updated throughout the race of the leading club



teams. Official results will not be posted until all scores are tallied up.

Top teams to watch will be the San Luis Obispo Road Runners, Golden Gate Tri-Club, and the Reno Area Triathletes (RATS).

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 13

Noon-8pm: Lovers Point
Exposition

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Noon-9pm: Lovers Point
Triathlete Registration & Bike Check

4-9pm: Griffin Senior Center, 700 Jewell Ave.
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6-7pm: Lovers Point
"Ride the Tri or Tri the Ride" with P.G. Mayor Sandy Koffman and City Council Members. A recreational family fun ride (6.2 miles) of the Triathlon Bike Course, from Lovers Point to Asilomar and back. Everyone is invited, no entry fee! Helmets required

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 14

7-4pm: Lovers Point
Exposition Open
The latest in fitness equipment, nutrition, apparel and food vendors

7:45-1:30pm: Lovers Point
The Triathlon at Pacific Grove
Olympic Distance Triathlon
1.5 Kilometer Swim - 40 Kilometer Bike - 10 Kilometer Run

7:40am: Lovers Point
Invocation - Bill Holdridge, Pastor Calvary Chapel of the Monterey Bay
National Anthem - Barbara Ballard

7:30-2pm: The Tinnery
VIP/Hospitality Reception
(complimentary for VIP's, Sponsors, etc. only)

7:45am: Lovers Point
(Swim / Wave Start)
Triathlete Magazine Presents the "USA Triathlon National Club Championship Race"

8am: Lovers Point
(Swim Wave Start)
Amateur Age Group Divisions

9:20am: Lovers Point
(Swim Wave Start)
KSBW TV-8 and KWAV Radio Presents
"The Triathlon Kelp Krawl Relay Division"

11:30am: Lovers Point
(Swim Wave Start)
Professional and Elite Division

6-8pm: Griffin Senior Center, 700 Jewell Ave.
Thomas Kinkade Galleries presents:
"The Triathlon Awards Ceremony
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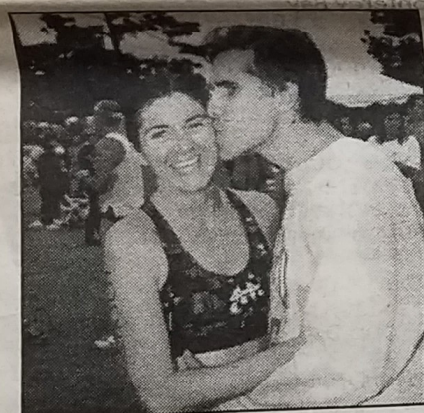


Mayor Koffman "Tri's the Ride" at inaugural event.

Tri the Ride and Ride the Tri #2

FRIDAY SEPT 13TH 6pm

Last year, Pacific Grove's Mayor Sandy Koffman led the city council, city officials and the rest of the community on what was one of the best race courses in the country. It wasn't a political race course, although she had a great year there too. It was a much more significant course; The Triathlon's "Ride the Tri Course." She is running for a second term as Mayor and is leading "The Ride" for a second time as well. "It's great family fun," says Sandy, "and I work up an appetite for the PG Pasta Party". The ride is open to anyone with a bicycle and it is free. So get out your mountain bike, tandem or your old Schwinn, blow off the barnacles, and dust and ride the 6.2 mile course.



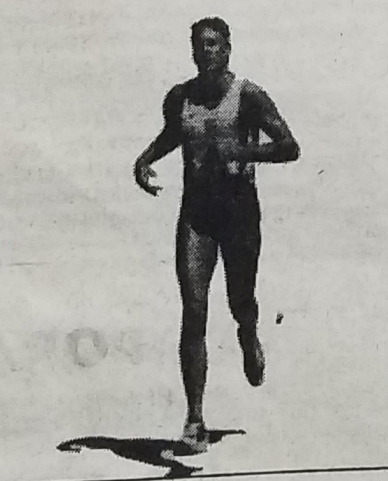
Golden Gate Tri club Members enjoy Lovers Point.

Resident Vehicle Passes available for Ocean View Homeowners

The Bike course from Lovers Point to Asilomar on Oceanview Blvd and Sunset will be closed to traffic from approx. 7:30 am to 1:00 pm on race day. Bicycles will be on the course from approximately 8:15 am to 1:00 pm. Limited access will be allowed for residents with right hand turns only. For a special resident vehicle pass and detailed instructions, residents are asked to call Tri-California at 373-0678. Oceanview Blvd, from Lovers Point to Eardley will be one way with runners using the oceanside lane for their course. No pass is required for this area.

The KSBW-TV and K WAV Radio Triathlon "Kelp Krawl" Relays

Hosted by the Central Coast's number one television and radio stations, the "Kelp Krawl" relays give everyone a chance to participate in The Triathlon. Each team consists of three persons who each participate in one leg of the event: swim, bike or run. Divisions will include Youth, Masters, Open and Corporate. Awards will be given to the top two teams in each division. Great for families, friends, organizations or churches.



P. G. Triathlon II: "The Vision" Grows

Although a lot looks and feels the same as last year Terry Davis, owner of Tri-California, the event management company producing the event tells of changes. "I guess the biggest difference is that more people have "the vision" this year," says Terry. "After seeing such a great inaugural event it's easier to visualize what this event can be for our little community." "Just two short years ago, it started out to be my vision, then my wife Betsy caught the vision, then the City and Chamber saw the vision and now it seems the entire community also sees the positive affects of triathlon."

So what is this great vision? 1.) To have the best triathlon in the world in the most beautiful place in the world, and bring a National Championship event, a World Championship event and possibly a Olympic qualifier event to our community. 2.) To showcase Pacific Grove as a perfect place for people with a healthy physical and spiritual lifestyle. 3.) To receive national and international coverage of the event and Pacific Grove. "I also have a personal vision for the event" says Davis, "Betsy and I see this as our ministry for God in this athletic arena, and a way to show people His love through us, and the importance of acknowledging His gift to us in the creation of our bodies."

Although the race courses are the same as last year, there are significant changes. The most obvious will be the finish line, the bike transition area and the exposition area. "We have moved the entire exposition area to the finish line. We hope it is easier for people to get around and view the race and shop at the exhibitors booths. Last year, the Expo was on the grass at Lovers Point park, which was beautiful, but it became an "island". You could only access the Expo area through the race courses, which was intimidating and unsafe. This year the lawn will be filled with bicycles (in addition to those on the street)

"The addition of the "KSBW and K WAV Kelp Krawl" Relay Divisions was included because of popular demand, mostly from the local community.

"It is really incredible," says Davis, "in just the second year we are already drawing national and international interest. *Triathlete Magazine* which is published in many countries throughout the world has become a major supporter of the event. They want to feature the event on a new television show they are planning to launch in 1997. They have already given us an enormous amount of publicity and promotion in their US publication and on their Internet web site. They will also be covering the event with their best editorial staff." The International Triathlon Union, the Olympic Committee's governing body for the sport is having regular conversations with us and we expect to see representatives at the event this year. Steve Locke, the executive director of USA Triathlon will actually be competing in the race and evaluating the venue for future USA consideration. This is a very exciting time for us and the community," says Davis, "We will just have to see what God has in store here."

Pasta-Pasta-Pasta Pacific Grove Style



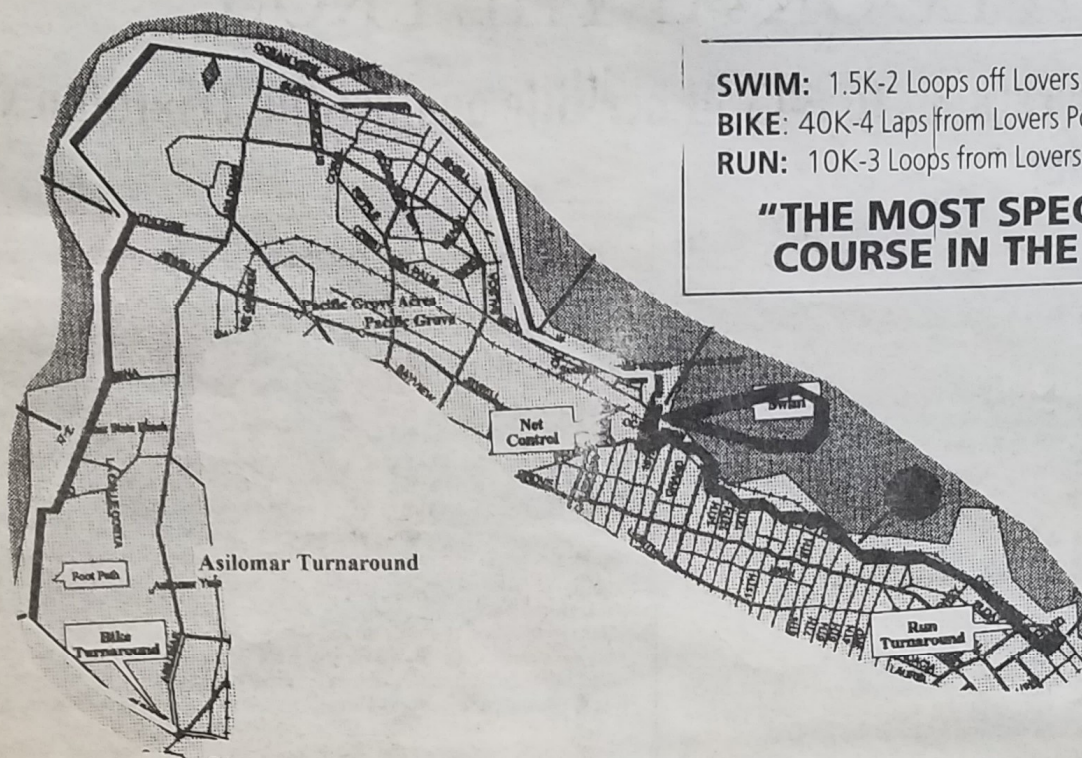
It has become a tradition for triathlons to have a Carbo-Load dinner the night before each race for athletes to store up the carbohydrates they need for the following day. This tradition started with endurance distance events and has continued in the Olympic distance and sprint distance races although in these it is more of a social activity than a physical need.

At the P. G. Pasta Party the community has taken the tradition just a step farther. Nell Meyers and her committee have canvassed all the restaurants in Pacific Grove to find just the best pasta sauces. The Monterey Peninsula is known for its great restaurants and Pacific Grove has many of the best of the best. The sauces will be served over the famous Mrs. T's Pierogies (a cheese and potato stuffed pasta) and pasta noodles. The pastas will be accompanied by salad from Earthbound Farms, bread, fruit and dessert. There will be checkered table cloths, Italian music, and just plain fun. So lets go CARBO-LOAD even if we aren't racing. Open to the public \$10 per person 4-9 pm.

Pasta Party Contributors

Allegro	Toastie's
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Lighthouse Cafe	Vivola's Chowder House
Peppers	Brick Oven Pizza
Rappa's	Chili Great Chili
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SWIM: 1.5K-2 Loops off Lovers Point
BIKE: 40K-4 Laps from Lovers Point to Asilomar Beach
RUN: 10K-3 Loops from Lovers Point to the Aquarium

**"THE MOST SPECTACULAR
 COURSE IN THE WORLD"**

SPECTATING: You can see it all from just a few places

The best thing about the Triathlon at Pacific Grove is there will be great spectator viewing all day from many locations. Lovers Point is race central and the hub of activity, but there are also great locations all over the course: The bike turn around at Asilomar Beach, and the Run turn around in front of the Aquarium on Cannery Row, with just four miles between the two points. Walking or cycling is a great way to navigate, as vehicle access is restricted. When you're done you feel like you were a competitor too!

7:30am: Pastor Bill Holdridge, from Calvary Chapel of the Monterey Bay will open the morning with an invocation and Barbara Ballard of Pacific Grove will once again perform the National Anthem.

SWIM: The swim start begins at **7:45am** for the Triathlon Club Teams followed at **8am** by Amateur Age Group Male and Female Triathletes, Relay Teams at **9:20am**. At **11:30 am** the Professional and Elite Men and Women Triathletes will brave the chilly waters of Pacific Grove. All swimmers start from Lovers Point Beach.

Anywhere along the recreation trail, or the wall at Lovers Point Park will be great vantage points. As spectators, the view of the swim course will be like looking down into a fish bowl. Bring a set of binoculars for great viewing of triathletes faces and their swim stroke. Watch competitors maneuver their way through the famous Monterey Bay kelp. This may be the best swim viewing in the world of triathlon.

Swimmers will vie for position as they approach the first turn buoy 380 meters off-shore. They will then make a left turn to the second buoy about 100 meters away. Turning left they head back to the break waters and their final turn to the shore. When they reach Lovers Point Beach they exit the water, run around the old concrete pier block and return to the water for their second lap.

After completing their second lap, swimmers depart the water, climb a small set of stairs and then run up the ramp, out to the pier, and up to the transition area. The swim portion of the race should take between 30-45 minutes per wave of swimmers. Last years fastest swimmers were Marc Lees, last years Pro winner (21.49 min) and Jennifer Guitierrez (Professional) second place (22.05 min).

BIKE COURSE: Once in the transition area triathletes don cycling attire (many simply ride in their swim wear), jump on their bikes and head down Oceanview Boulevard towards Asilomar. The bike start is just as exciting as the swim start. Changing speeds can be critical in a race of this length, and every second can make the difference between winning and losing.

Viewing the bike course from the Bike Start/Finish Area at the Tinnery Restaurant will be a great vantage point. Cyclist depart the transition area, make the sweeping turn-around "en-mass". Each Triathlete will come by four times at about fifteen to twenty minute intervals.

If you want to see more of the bike course you can either walk down the recreation trail along the 3.2 mile course to the Asilomar Beach turn-around or ride your bike on the back streets with stops at Lighthouse Ave, Asilomar Ave, the S-turns at the Pico intersection or at the turn around by the famous Fishwife Restaurant.

The bike aid station near the turn around operated by the Pacific Grove Recreation Department Youth Center, will provide some great action to watch, as P.G. teens cheer on the athletes (led by the Pacific Grove High Cheerleaders) and hand out water bottles to the competitors. The PG Youth Center, a beautiful new facility, which just opened this month is one of the event beneficiaries

When the Triathletes come into the transition area from their final bike lap, they will be making their second change from biking gear to running gear. In an Olympic Distance race like the Triathlon at Pacific Grove most triathletes will simply remove their helmets and exchange cycling shoes for running shoes and a singlet.

The fastest bike times last year were Pro Bob Korock (59.43 min) and Pro Lauren Alexander, last years champion, (1:05:26). Most other riders finished the course in about 1hr 30 min.

RUN COURSE: For the run course spectators will move back to the recreation trail between Lovers Point and the Aquarium. Triathletes will depart the transition area and race down the recreation trail one mile to David Avenue. Turning left, runners will race past the Aquarium to the turn around point. Viewing the race here will be magnificent!

RACE FINISH: To watch the excitement of the race finish, spectators should head back to the Lovers Point parking lot. What time you return will depend on which age group you want to see finish. The Tri Clubs will be finishing just before 10:00 am.

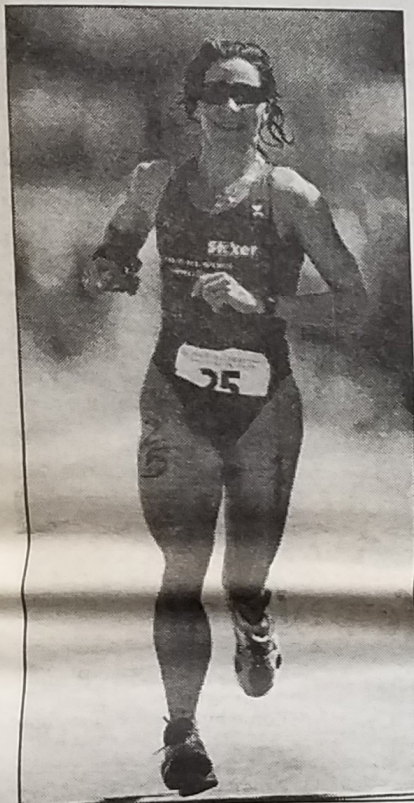
The Professional and Elite Triathletes will complete the course in just under two hours so make sure your are at the finish line by 1:30 to watch this spectacular end of race.

PAGE 4 Do you know that in a race all the runners run, but only one gets the prize? Run in such a way as to get the prize. Everyone who competes in the

A LOOK AT THE PROS

Lauren Alexander returns to defend her title against the Triathlon's Queen Paula Newby-Fraser

1995 saw Mark Lees of Australia and Lauren Alexander of San Jose win the inaugural Triathlon at Pacific Grove, setting the standard for this race. Mark Lees has returned to Australia, but Lauren will return to defend her title.



Lauren Alexander

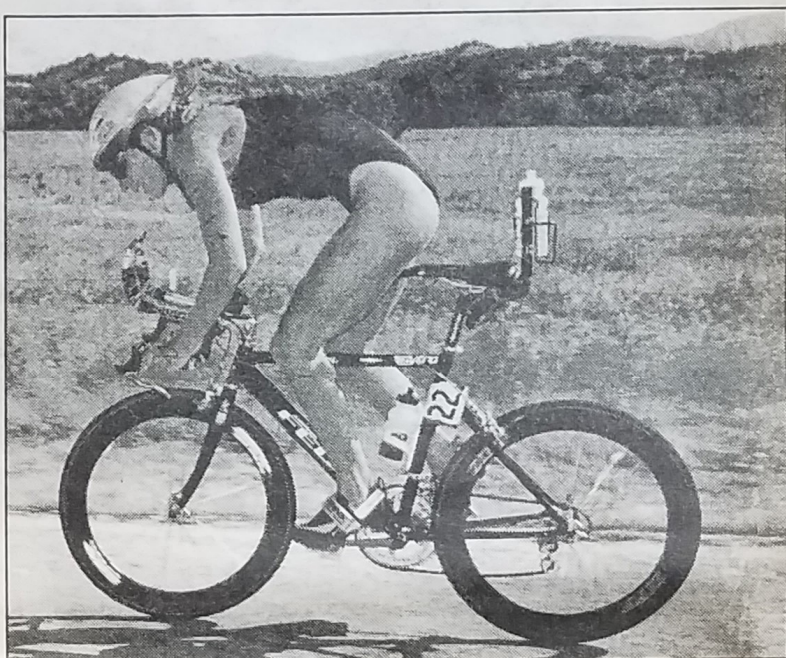
In only its second year The Triathlon at Pacific Grove is attracting some of the best Triathletes in the world. Paula Newby-Fraser seven-time Hawaii Ironman World Champion, four-time Wildflower Triathlon Champion, and many times over "Triathlete of the Year" will be racing for the first time at Pacific Grove.

Lauren Alexander has been training and competing very hard, and believes she is in top shape. She's racing at the ITU World Long Course Championships in Muncie Indiana the weekend before heading to Pacific Grove. "Then I'll take the week off before PG," says Lauren, "I usually have a really strong second race when I race back to back like this. I am not one to say I am going to beat this or that person, but if I have a good swim I feel confident I can do really well." "I love the looped courses and being able to see if you are gaining or losing can be a real motivation". However, Lauren was second to Newby-Fraser at the Wildflower in May, and had a really tough run. Perhaps her focus was split between her upcoming wedding and racing. In any event, Lauren is a strong racer and it will prove to be an excellent women's race.

Paula Newby-Fraser started off the 1996 season with a win at the Australian Ironman Triathlon, and added a win at Wildflower, the Japan 1/2 Ironman, the Midwest Regional Sprint Distance Championships and the Big Bear Triathlon. She placed second in San Diego and third at Alcatraz. She is fresh from a Canadian Ironman Championship victory at the end of August, and more that ready for Pacific Grove. Paula is 90% positive she will not be competing in this years Hawaii Ironman, and instead has plans to venture off-road in to Mountain Bike Triathlons by competing in Maui and maybe at Tri-California's Dirty Adventures event in San Luis Obispo come November.

"I have really changed my schedule this year by doing a variety of distances and staying closer to home (USA)," says Paula. "The Triathlon at Pacific Grove is already known as a great race and I really want to win this one. I have not raced on the Peninsula since 1989 (she won the Monterey Bay Triathlon, the final year of the event). My first win as a Pro was in Monterey County at the Wildflower Triathlons in 1986, which is my favorite race in the world."

Another strong contender to watch is Canada's Heather Fuhe. Heather is one of the sports' top female competitors, and took home first place at Japan's Ironman in June. Also back from last year will be Jenny Wood from Boulder, Colorado. Joining these women will be Nancy Vallance of Santa Rosa, Sara Cox, from Australia, and a new comer to the triathlon profession. Also competing as a first time Pro, Lisa Rainsberger, from Kansas. Lisa will be competing as a Pro and this is her first ever triathlon. She is a world class 10K and marathon runner, and was a three-time alternate on the US Olympic Marathon Team. She is a three-sport Collegiate All-American in Swimming, cross-country, Track and Field. If she can ride a bike at all, her swimming times and running times are impressive. She's running a 32:15 10K and a 2:28:15 Marathon. She held the world record at the 30K distance in '85 and the American record in the 15K in 89. It will be exciting to see how she can do in the multi-sport arena, against some of the best in the world.



Paula Newby-Fraser

Men's Pro Race Wide Open

With Marc Lees not around to defend his title, the Men's Pro Field is up for grabs. There is a whole new group racing this year, following a small pro field in the inaugural year. None of these Triathletes have made it to the front of the Wheaties box but they are all up and coming stars of the future. Jonathan Barber from South Africa (now training in Santa Rosa) and Andrew Kelsey of Danville are probably the current favorites at this point. Both have won the Vineman triathlon with Jonathan winning in '96 and Andrew winning in '95. Jonathan has also won the Sacramento Triathlon. The only pro (as of press time) to return from last year is Bob Korock from Ocampo. Bob was fourth last year and hopes his experience will move him up in the standings. Greg Thompson, from Santa Clara, who finished in seventh at Wildflower is another strong contender. Rookie Pro Greg Whitely from Oregon (American record holder in the 5K running distance) will also be on hand. In only two pro starts he has a 2nd place finish at Big Bear and was 20th at Chicago the World's Largest Triathlon. "We don't know what other professionals will sign up between press time (Sept 1) and race day," says Race Director, Terry Davis, "But in my conversations with Paula Newby-Fraser and he fiancée Paul Huddle, there may be some big names show up at the last minute." With the ITU World Championships the last week in August and the ITU Long Course Championships just finishing (Sept 7&8) in Muncie, many of the top professional have not looked beyond these two races. It helps that Ironman Hawaii is not until the end of October. We will just have to wait and see.

It surely won't hurt for the professionals to know that Triathlete Magazine is considering using video footage from the race for a pilot of their new Television program slated to air in 1997.

The Professional are racing for a total Pro purse of \$3,500 with \$1,000 each going to the first place male and female finishers, \$500 for second and \$250 for third.

An Elite Triathlete division with the top amateurs will be starting the race just two minutes behind the professional, and will be on the course at the same time. You will be able to compare their times as the day goes on to see just how competitive they are to the professionals. These Triathletes are either trying to become a professional or are not in a position to dedicate their life and resources to being one. Many of the top master Triathletes are retired from the pro ranks but are still thrilled with the sport.

games goes into strict training. They do it to get a crown that will not last; but we do it to get a crown that will last forever. 1 Corinthians 9:24-25

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**A HOSTED CHAMPAGNE BARBECUE RECEPTION FOR
ALL PARTICIPANTS, FRIENDS AND FAMILY**

Art and the Athlete: Thomas Kinkade Galleries presents the Triathlon's Champagne Victory Reception

To celebrate the second annual Triathlon at Pacific Grove, Thomas Kinkade Galleries of Carmel and Cannery Row is presenting the Triathlon's Awards Ceremony, Art Show and Auction, to be held on Saturday, September 14, 6-9pm at The Griffin Senior Center, 700 Jewell Avenue in Pacific Grove. This complimentary champagne and barbecue reception, is open to all competitors, their family, friends and the community.

"We believe this is a wonderful opportunity for us to showcase Thomas Kinkade's work in a very unique arena", states Kinkade Marketing Representative, Marcie Nestell, "And it's a great way for us to be involved in the community. Our whole staff is behind this event in one way or another. Some are competing, some are helping at the reception and in our booth at the Exposition, and some are handing out water to the triathletes."

Part of their support comes in allowing Tri-California to use Thomas Kinkade's exquisite Plein Aire image titled "Pacific Grove" in all of their collateral and advertising materials. "The artwork has been a tremendous draw for people to come to this triathlon and this beautiful area", says event organizer, Betsy Davis. "We are very proud and grateful for this special support".

In addition to the Awards Ceremony, Thomas Kinkade Galleries will be auctioning a one-of-a-kind event poster, that will be uniquely remarked by Thomas Kinkade himself, with a dedication to The Triathlon at Pacific Grove. Twelve other exciting original oils and prints will also be auctioned. A portion of the proceeds from these pieces will be donated to the Triathlon and its beneficiaries.



A smiling group....

"Hard Core" Support for the Triathlon provided by Military

When it comes to volunteer manpower the DLI is a wonderful resource, and the Triathlon at Pacific Grove is proud to have them involved in our race. One exuberant competitor from 1995's Tri claims "You haven't lived until you've heard the military cheer you on with yells of "Hard Core Ma'am", "Way to Go Sir", or "Give Me Three More Laps Ma'am". "Triathletes are not used to being called "Sir" or "Ma'am", but they sure like the enthusiasm" says Betsy Davis. The Army, Air Force, Marines, Navy, Coast Guard, and the National Guard are all providing volunteer "troops". All in all they make up over 200 of the more than 600 volunteers utilized during the race. "There are more volunteers than participants at the Triathlon at Pacific Grove, and we've had to turn people away who wanted to help, mainly because we didn't have enough t-shirts" remarks Davis.

The Defense Language Institute is the largest group at the race and run director Bill McElyea wouldn't trade his 100 volunteers for anything. "They are dedicated, enthusiastic and on time", Bill says. "They are the best bunch of volunteers I have ever worked with". DLI First Sergeant Kathleen Collier says their people had a great time last year, they were treated well, and many were motivated to volunteer again this year. "It's exactly the type of physical fitness we encourage our people to maintain, and if they're motivated while volunteering all the better." The military volunteers for many Peninsula events throughout the year including car races, golf, and other running events.

1996 WINNERS

MALE		FEMALE	
PRO	MARC LEES, AUSTRALIA	1:56:36	LAUREN ALEXANDER, SAN JOSE
ELITE	CHAD GORDON, SAN LEANDRO	2:00:36	KAREN CHECQUER-PFIEFFER, SANTA ROSA
15-19	BRANDON BECKMAN, EL DORADO HILLS	2:13:35	MEGAN FARRELL, CARMICHAEL
20-24	CHAD HAWKER, CARMEL VALLEY	2:11:32	SARAH BEANE, LOS GATOS
25-29	TROY SOARES, SUNNYVALE	2:10:09	MARIA MONICA, SAN FRANCISCO
30-34	GREGG TRENT, SAN JOSE	2:08:20	BROOKS WEISNER, MONTEREY
35-39	STEVE RAMMEL, CARMEL VALLEY	2:11:34	KATHRYN SAMUELSON, DANVILLE
40-44	DOUGLAS MATTHEW, WALNUT CREEK	2:19:57	DEBBIE MELNIKOFF, SANTA CRUZ
45-49	TERRY CRAWFORD, SUN VALLEY	2:17:54	CHRISTINE LUCEY, SANTA ANA
50-54	ROBERT PLANT, REDWOOD CITY	2:22:07	GRACE VOSS, SUNNYVALE
55-59	RICHARD CLARK, BELVEDERE TIBURON	2:36:29	JAN HOLLOWAY, MONTEREY
60-64	MORTON GRAY, SANTA ROSE	2:46:54	GLORIA DAKE, SALINAS
65-69	KEN NASH, SAN JOSE	2:41:03	

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- Monterey Bay Aquarium
- Pacific Grove Ocean Rescue

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THE TRIATHLETES PRAYER

Lord, please clear my head of all distractions,
And my heart of any burdens I may bear,
So that I may perform my very best,
Knowing you'll always be there.
Please lift me up before the moment, So through
your eyes I may see,
And have a clearer understanding,
As the race unfolds before me.
With great courage I will meet this challenge,
As You would have me to,
But keep me humble and remind me,
That my strength comes from knowing You.
Then when all eyes are upon me,
At the end of this big race,
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And to the glory of Your Place

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TRIATHLETE ORIENTATION: Rules & Race Course Information 7PM September 13

A presentation of USA Triathlon Rules, Race Course Orientation and General Information for triathletes will be held at 7:00 pm, Friday, September 13. All triathletes and spectators desiring more information about triathlon and in particular the Tri at PG course, will enjoy this informative presentation. The presentation will be located at the triathlon's finish line bleachers at Lovers Point parking lot.

PARKING

Parking on race day may be the biggest challenge. If you live in Pacific Grove or you're lodging in P.G., we recommend you either walk down or ride your bike to the event. Lovers Point is not more than a couple of miles from just about anywhere in the city. It will provide a great morning workout for the "vicarious" triathlete.

If you driving to the race, there will be plenty of parking on side streets. Jewell, Bayview and Pacific Avenues have parking spaces on both sides from 19th to Alder Street. There is also parking on the West side of Oceanview Boulevard and on the side streets from Grand to Eardley. There are also some parking lots off Central Avenue.

USA TRIATHLON AND LOCAL RULES:

- No swimming or other aids such as fins or snorkels are allowed
- On the bike, helmets must be worn at all times.
- There is no drafting allowed. (cyclists must stay at least two bike lengths behind a bike unless they are attempting to pass)
- Cyclists must yield to faster riders.
- Triathletes are responsible for counting their laps (Swim 2, Bike 4 and run 3)
- Triathletes may run or walk the run event, but crawling is not allowed.
- Race numbers must be visible at all times.
- No glass containers in the transition area or anywhere on the course.
- Bikes must be racked in their designated location.
- Upon completing the bike event, triathletes must dismount and walk their bicycles in the transition area.
- Relay Teams: Bicycles must be racked until the swimmer "tags" the cyclist. Upon completing the bike course, the cyclist must rack his bike and then "tag" the runner.



Lover's Point at Sunrise

September 14, 1995

Terry and Betsy Davis
Tri California
1105 David Avenue
Pacific Grove, CA 93950

Dear Terry and Betsy:

It is not often (in fact this is a first) that I send a letter of thanks for a triathlon production. The inaugural of the Triathlon at Pacific Grove was an absolutely stellar event. I had a premonition it would be based on previous experience with other events you have staged (The Wildflower Festival Triathlon).

Rarely does a 'first time' event come off without a hitch. I don't know how you did it but from my vantage point, the event was flawless. This was particularly impressive with a 'criterion style' race. Not only was it well organized but the backdrop of Pacific Grove has probably been in many of our dreams as the ultimate race venue. Not only was the scenery phenomenal, the volunteers (mostly local I would suspect) graciously welcomed 300+ of us experienced athletes into their community with open arms. I have never experienced such enthusiasm from a group of dedicated people in any event (except maybe the Hawaiian Ironman). The residents of Pacific Grove deserve a standing ovation for allowing this event to happen.

You can bet I will return as I am sure many others will, to the 2nd Annual Triathlon at Pacific Grove.

Thanks for a most memorable experience! Please thank the Pacific Grove residents, too!

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Give yourself six months for new look, better fitness

by Ken Green

Crunch time arrives when you are 30 pounds overweight and it's time to attend your 20th high school reunion. You have an anxiety attack knowing you resemble an enlarged caricature of your former self. You desperately want to look great for your old friends, and particularly for your high school sweetheart.

Don't make the mistake of attempting a crash weight loss, or conditioning program two months

before the epic event. Give yourself six months. Attempt to lose a pound a week. Cut down your consumption of carbohydrates: bread, pasta, potatoes, rice, etc. Eat more vegetables and protein, and drinks lots of water. Stay away from sweets, eat small portions, and have small, early dinners.

Keep your metabolism high. Exercise on a progressive resistance program at least three times per week and cross train on your rest days with fast walking, biking or skating. This will keep your metabolism up and burn a lot of calories. Do abdominal crunches every day.

Sounds tough, doesn't it? But you can do it! It makes sense. If you burn more calories than you take in, you're going to lose weight. You won't believe how you will look and feel in six months. So, go it! Of course, if you want to assure yourself of positive results, hire a personal trainer.

Remember, there is no greater compliment if, after 20 years, everyone recognizes you and says, "You haven't changed a bit."

Ken Green is owner, personal trainer, at One on One studio in New Monterey.



OK Sonny, I have three weeks to get in shape for my class reunion...

Run for the Beacon volunteers needed

Persons wanting to volunteer for the 15th annual Monterey Bay Run for the Beacon on Sunday, Sept. 29 can call the Race Director, Dan Gearhart, at 899-1570 or the Beacon House at 372-2334.

The 10-k /five-k race will start at 9 am at Lovers Point Park in Pacific Grove. All proceeds from the race go to benefit the Beacon House, an alcohol and substance abuse recovery program in Pacific Grove.

Registration is \$17 prior to race day and \$20 on the 29th, when registration will be held from 7 am to 8:30 am.

A special 1/4 mile and 1 mile race for kids will start at 8:15 am, prior to the regular race. The kids' fun run is for ages 12 and under.

Walk with PRIDE benefit next Saturday

PG PRIDE (Public Response in Dollars for Education) will stage its annual fundraiser, Walk with PRIDE on September 21, from 7:30 am to 11 am along the PG Recreation Trail between Lover's Point and the Aquarium.

Teachers at all PG school sites have been provided with pledge sheets for the students to gather pledges to sponsor their walk, skate or ride. Parents and friends are also invited.

Call any PG school office for further information.

Whitney Vasu wins tennis tournament

Whitney Vasu, PG High school beat Sarah Tezak of Monterey for 1st place in the 6th Annual Dill/Erwin Invitational Tennis Tournaments.

Singles were played at PG High and doubles at the PG Rec Department.

The top two players of each team played in two flights.

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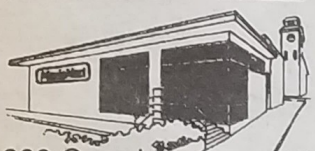


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FEATURES

Slice of Life

by Elaine Breen

More creatures

*"Twas brillig, and the slithy toves
Did gyre and gimble in the wabe:
All mimsy were the borogoves,
And the mome raths outrabe.*

*Beware the Jabberwock, my son!
The jaws that bite, the claws that
catch!*

*Beware the Jubjub bird, and shun
The frumious Bandersnatch!"*
Lewis Carroll

I hope you were able to identify the
Jabberwock in Washington Park (with
the bite taken of the vorpal sword) and
the Slithy Toves down on the beach
from Armando's rawings in our last
issue. I thought the Slithy Toves draw-
ings most interesting, since when they



gyre and
gimble they
all but disap-
pear in the
wabe, up and
down in sync,
so that you
really see
only the big
eyes and
wide jaw above the water. If all the
endangered species disappear we will,
of course, be left with Jabberwocks,
Slithy Toves, Borogoves, Jubjub birds,
and Bandersnatches.

The borogoves are nervous little
animals and when they get
mimsy they jump and down and side-
ways and sort of laugh and cry at the
same time. But they are harmless of
course; not good as watch pets because
the nervous little bark that would drive
you to chocolate sandwiches. (It's easy.
You just take a thick slice of Ciabatto
bread from Palermo Bakery and put
chocolate chips on it, melt for a
trinstant and eat for breakfast.)

Anyway, when I took Armando's
drawings to Alpha Stationers to copy,
Linda, the Alpha Lady, said, "What, no

borogoves?" and I began to think it would
be nice to see what a borogove looks like,
as well as a Jubjub bird and a
Bandersnatch. The idiot Jubjub walks
around like a turkey saying, "Jub-jub,
jub-jub" and has a brain about the size
of a turkey's. My mother used to raise
turkeys and they were so lacking in dis-
cernment that they

ate the hot ashes we put out on our mud
driveway and died.

The Bandersnatch, frumious as he is,
is actually the only one
to really avoid. He, of course, snatches



banders. So either leave your bander at
home or wear it in a concealed belt. The

Bandersnatch odor is unforgettable and
once you learn to discern it you can eas-
ily just turn off into a residential neigh-
borhood. He doesn't like cats and go-
phers, even though he is so much big-
ger. Keeping a gopher is a good way to
keep bandersnatches away. Just put food

down in
their run-
ways and
they will
thrive and
multiply —
voila! no
bandersnatches.

I hope
all this has
been infor-
mative.
Have a
frabjous day, leave your bander at home
and don't let frumious individuals who
honk when you cross Lighthouse disturb
your beamishness.



PERFORMING AT THE dedication of the Youth Center were Pacific Grove high school
and middle school students in the Nouveau Jazz Band. Pictured above are P.J. McCombs
on bass guitar; Amy Crawford on keyboards; Lea Houlett on drums; Nathan Iglesias, Mario
Iglesias Jr. and Mario Iglesias Sr. on trumpet; Mark Stotzer on trombone; David Carpenter
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SHORE LINES

by Neill Gardner

The Barking Rabbits

MY OLD Man always cautioned us against paying too much attention to what he called the barking rabbits. He was talking about the naysayers who find fault with whatever someone else is doing.

We have a full portion of barking rabbits here on the Monterey Peninsula. And every bloomin' one of them seems to have a deep affection for the sound of his or her own voice.

I use the his/her bit not out of a sense of political correctness, but because a surprising number of these characters turn out to be of the female persuasion. You'll note I didn't say anything about femininity.

PA WOULD have a conniption fit if he could see what's going on around here. You go to a public meeting and find yourself surrounded by attorneys, architects, biologists and assorted "experts,"

and the whole shootin' match is there because some dingaling professes to be worried about the future of the black legless lizard or some plant the deer love to eat.

What's worse, they are given an eager ear by elected officials who behave as if the whole charade is a matter of momentous import. They even ask serious questions. Jeez.

It's too bad we can't install some kind of a meter to tell one and all just how much all these monkeyshines are costing.

IT'S GETTING worse. Now we have a superior court judge whose behavior most of us have come to admire treating the characters who crawl out of the woodwork as though they were responsible citizens like you and me and the guy down the street.

He responds to this in-your-face bunch as if he thought their motives were pure and this after the worst of the lot appears to be willing to take a hike if the price is right.

And how about these folks who are demanding water rationing? You know they

don't give a hoot about water. They are only concerned that someone might want to nail a couple of two by fours together.

YOU TALK about gall. These anti-everythings have more guts than a government mule. They hail from all over the place. They speak with fervor. Some sound as if they belong in pulpit, others on a soap box.

If you asked one of 'em to consider that he might be wrong, his eyes would glaze over. They are sure that God and the Democratic Party are on their side.

It's a good thing the Old Man is up there in Boilermaker Heaven. He'd tar and feather the whole kit and caboodle and run them out of town on a rail.

ON ANOTHER subject: Gene Allen, this municipality's leading tonsorial artist, motion picture critic and Pedal Steel Guitarist, will offer music of the Good Old Days in a free concert at Jewell Park on Sunday, Sept. 15 from 1 to 2 p.m. This free publicity will in part atone for any snide remarks we may have uttered concerning the Barber Pole Gang.

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BIRTHS

ALEXANDRA MAGANARES, a daughter born August 22, 1996 to Leo and Alison Maganares, Pacific Grove.

CORINNE MARGARET GROSSMAN, a daughter, born August 27, 1996 to Nancy M. Allison and Arlen L. Grossman, Del Rey Oaks.

JIMMY SCOTT RAINES, JR., a son born August 21, 1996 to Jimmy S. Raines Sr. and Leticia Raines, Seaside.

STEVEN BENJAMIN NAVARRO, a son born August 24, 1996 to Maria and Benjamin Navarro, Seaside.

CHARLES RYAN TRUJILLO a son born August 26, 1996 to Charles N. and April D. Erdman, Pacific Grove.

TAYLOR ANN GONZALEZ, a daughter born August 31, 1996 to Kelly and Hector Gonzalez, Seaside.

JESSIE ALEXANDRA BRODIE, a daughter born August 29, 1996 to Douglas Brodie and Susan Thomas, Marina.

DEATHS

MARY BERTHA YUNOOS, 100, Monterey, died September 6 at Hospice House.

Born July 16, 1896 in Shwebo, Burma, Mrs. Yunoo was a homemaker and member of St. Angela's Catholic Church

in Pacific Grove. She served in the Women's Army Corps in India during World War II.

Survivors include her sons Theodore De Alvis of Monterey and Derick Yunoo of West Covina; daughters, Bertha Gaudoin and Felicia Denise Barber, both of Pacific Grove; 15 grandchildren and 30 great grandchildren. Her husband, Essa Yunoo, died in 1990.

Burial was at El Carmelo Cemetery last Tuesday, following Mass of Christian Burial at St. Angela's.

The family suggests memorial contributions to the donor's favorite charity.

FRED E. PHILLIPS, 76, Pacific Grove, died September 2 at Stanford University Hospital, Palo Alto.

Born July 4, 1920 in Champaign, IL, Mr. Phillips was a resident of Pacific Grove for 26 years where he managed the Sea Breeze Motel.

Survivors include his son, Frederic E. Phillips of Pebble Beach; daughter, Marketha Kezer of Redding; stepsons, Henry Blebins of Phoenix, Ronnie Blebins of Flagstaff, Leonard Gore of Portland, OR, and Larry Gore of Medford, OR; stepdaughters, Darlene

Gammon, Eugene, OR, and Sherilyn Gore, El Centro; brothers, Lloyd Phillips of Fresno, and Jim Phillips of San Andreas; sisters, Ruth Birdsell of Fresno; three grandchildren, 14 step-grandchildren, one great-grandchild and nine step great-grandchildren.

At his request, no service was held. The family suggests contributions in his memory to Stanford Heart Council, C/o: Medical Development Office, 770 Welch Road, Suite 400, Palo Alto, CA 94305.

INEZ IRMA TAYLOR, 88, Pebble Beach, died September 6 at Community Hospital after a short illness.

A homemaker, Mrs. Taylor was born June 11, 1908 in Livingston, Montana and had been a resident of Pebble Beach since 1963.

She was a member of St. John's Chapel in Monterey, the Women's Group at St. John's Chapel, the Monterey Peninsula Country Club, and Eastern Star of Puerto Rico.

Survivors include her husband, Harold W. Taylor of Pebble Beach; son, Richard M. Taylor of Ferndale, MI, three grandchildren and one great grandchild.

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"Third Thursday" is a monthly event held at the Monterey Museum of Art, scheduled September 19 from 5-7pm at the Civic Center, 559 Pacific Street, Monterey. Hors d'oeuvres and jazz piano by Steve Goodman compliment a photography exhibit by Bill Martin and prints by Picasso, Roualt, Miro, Chagall, and Severini. The evening is free. Wine and sparkling water with purchase.

"Friends Day" at Shoreline Church is Sunday September 15. Pastor Howie Hugo invites guests to attend this first of six messages in a series called "Discovering My Purpose in Life." Features Shoreline's famous Waffle Bar and music from 9 to 10:30 am. Services at PG High School. Guest artist Sunday Sept. 22 is Alfie Silas who sings with the Maranatha Praise Band "Con Alma," a photographic exhibition



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and expression of energy by Pacific Grove jazz photographer Will Wallace, will be up September 20 through October 18 at the Pacific Grove Art Center. A reception for the artist is being held Sept. 20 from 7-9pm. 568 Lighthouse Avenue, Pacific Grove.

Ice Cream Social. Public is invited from 6:30 to 8pm at the Forest Grove School Cafeteria Friday, September 27 for an ice-cream eating school fundraiser. An all you can eat Sundae Bar featuring hot fudge, caramel, fresh strawberry and raspberry toppings, whipped cream and nuts. Admission is \$4 per person or, get this, free for your entire family if you pay \$25 to join the "Tub Club" which includes drawing tickets for four passes to Disneyland or dinner for two at Club 19, the Lodge at Pebble Beach. Tickets at the door.

Helcio Milito Trio plays Brazilian and American Jazz every Thur. - Sun. from 7-11pm in the Lobby Lounge, the Inn at Spanish Bay. Featured with Milito are 9/13 Jay Jackson on keyboards; 9/14 Rob Lautz on vibes; 9/15 Stan Poplin on bass; 9/19 Lauri Hofer, vocalist; 9/20 the Dave Clay Trio (replacing Helcio who will be at the Jazz Festival); 9/21 & 22 Ali Ryerson on flute; Thur.-Sun. 9/26-29 Ali Ryerson.

Live music is also featured nightly, except Monday, at the Bay Club from 7-10:30pm. Harpist Juli Alexander plays Tue, Wed, Thur., & Sun. Guitarist Robert McNamara plays Fri. and Sat.

Monarch butterfly lecture. Prof. Kingston Leong, entomologist at Cal Poly will lecture on Sunday, Sept. 15, 4pm. Leong has been researching the Monarch biology and microhabitat of this insect since 1989. His research has included PG's own Butterfly Grove. His talk will introduce the butterfly's fascinating life cycle, including its long migrations and the spectacular winter clustering for which the Grove is famous. He will also bring live Monarch caterpillars he has been raising. Museum of Natural History, corner Forest & Central. **648-3116**.

Monterey Co. Symphony opens its 55th season Saturday, September 28, at Sherwood Hall, Salinas, with a cabaret-style pops concert featuring music director and conductor Clark Suttle and the orchestra performing Gershwin's American in Paris, and vocalist Mimi Manners




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Vehicle Gallery. "Otterly motor sport surrealistic paintings" by Lola Disco Volante and photographs by Lola Disco Volante and Spyder McLaren are on exhibit now through September 30 in the "Temple of Zoom" the photo gallery located in the Camera Exchange, 551 Lighthouse Avenue.

Heike Neumeister, German artist, is now exhibiting studies in oil and clay of the female nude, at Raven in the Grove through September 16. 505 Lighthouse Avenue.

The Chinese at Stillwater Cove is the lecture by Sandy Lyon next Sunday, Sept. 22 at 2pm, Pacific Grove Museum of Natural History, Forest and Central Ave.

Artists in the Garden, a day of gardening events, demonstrations, lectures and art is sponsored Sept. 21 by the Carmel Art Association in the garden of their gallery on Dolores Avenue between 5th and 4th.

Auditions for an original play, Postdated, by Linda Needham will be held Saturday, Sept. 21 from 10am to noon and Sunday, Sept. 22 from 1-2pm. The show will open January 23. Cast includes five women ages 15-61 and two men in their 20's. A great challenge for one man, who will need to age to 93 in three acts. Scripts available. All roles open. Unicorn Theatre, 329 Hoffman Avenue, New Monterey. Andra 373-4389

Black & White Juried Show, a photo exhibit will open September 20 at the PG Art Center, 568 Lighthouse Avenue, Pacific Grove. Show ends October 13. 375-2208

Sculpture festival plan. Pacific Rim Sculptor's Group, a non-profit sculpture organization based in San Francisco, has started a Central Coast Chapter, meeting tomorrow, Saturday, Sept. 14 at 10:30 am at the 1st national Bank Community Room, 1615 Abrego St., Monterey.

Topics for discussion include details on the upcoming juried sculpture show, the development of a Sculpture Festival, and the establishment of a local sculpture park. All are invited to attend. Call Eileen Auvil, 372-6991 or Tibor Hajagos

at 724-6342.

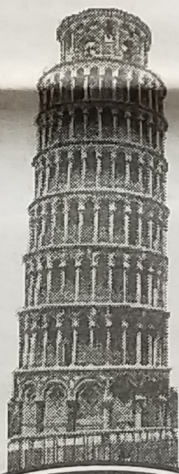
Advance Auction Notice. Hambrook's Auction Center, 480 Lighthouse Ave., Pacific Grove, will auction over 100 works of Jean Kellogg on Saturday, Sept. 14 at 2 pm. One of the highlights of the sale will be a set of 9 engraving plates which were part of the book written by Robinson Jeffers, "The Loving Shepherdess."

Also included are many framed oils, particularly seascapes; plus her personal collection of art. Mrs. Kellogg's mother wrote a book on Belgian lace; the first edition signed copy with a collection of vintage lace will also be auctioned.

All proceeds from the auction go to the Monterey County Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals. For additional details, call Hambrook's Auction Center.

Bagel Bakery birthday Twenty-cent bagels will be featured at all Bagel Bakery locations on Sept. 20th, their 20th anniversary. The brainchild of Bill Leone and River Gurtin, the first shop opened in Pacific Grove in 1976, and was the only source for fresh bagels between San Francisco and Los Angeles. All six locations will have special in-house promotions and competitions throughout the month, but will be close Sept. 23 for Yom Kippur.

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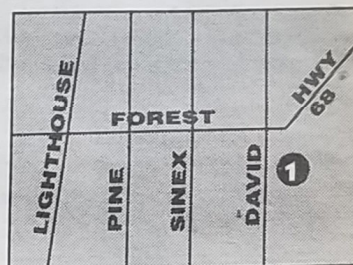
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Youth Center dedication: Family reunion for the Grove

by Nadine Annand

It took a village to ideate, create and finally dedicate the new Pacific Grove Youth Center.

The two-day celebration was the climax to several years of frustration and delay, but the enthusiasm of the supporters in the last home town proved overwhelming. In fact, the Friday night barbecue was like a family reunion, alumni gathering and homecoming all in one. Pacific Grove school graduates, now business people, joined in a Thank You to everyone who was involved in the project.

Friday evening was an opportunity for friends and neighbors to eat together, but Saturday's dedication was the icing on the cake. City officials, Recreation Department heads, and local contractors and helpers who all contributed to the

successful completion of the long-awaited building, received kudos and much appreciation. Of course Ruby Nodilo, who was a shoulder to lean upon for many years at the old Rec Club, was the deserving guest of honor at both events.

The attractive and colorful Youth Center stands at the corner of 16th and Laurel Streets and is appropriately named the Nodilo building. Both Ruby and Martin Nodilo, her late husband and a member of the Pacific Grove Police Department, "knew every kid in town and kept a watchful but compassionate eye on each."

Janet Gray, local attorney and also active in PG Pride, was general overseer of the food, especially delicious desserts.

The village is justly proud.



Justin Speers, PGMS, challenges Walter Davis, Youth Center staff, on the spacious main floor of the newly-dedicated Nodilo Building.

Hundreds turn out for Youth Center dances

GRAND OPENING weekend at the new youth center attracted hundreds of students, about 400 from the Middle School and another nearly 300 from the High School for two separate dances.

PG Police kicked in for the DJ sound system, which teacher and city councilman Jim Costello installed — along with the disco lights.

Recreation Coordinator Jody Aliotti continues to receive praise from city officials, who say her "energy and ability to relate to the kids" is what makes the daily programs a success.

Other than the dances, the pool tables are the biggest draw, says Aliotti. More than 100 students, grades 6-12, use the center on any given day. The spacious complex houses an upstairs computer center, donated by McGraw Hill and the PG Library, and a study and tutoring room. Desks were provided at cost by Furniture in the Raw, then stained by the students themselves.

Events this month include more dances, modeling classes, movie nights and Monday Nite Football.



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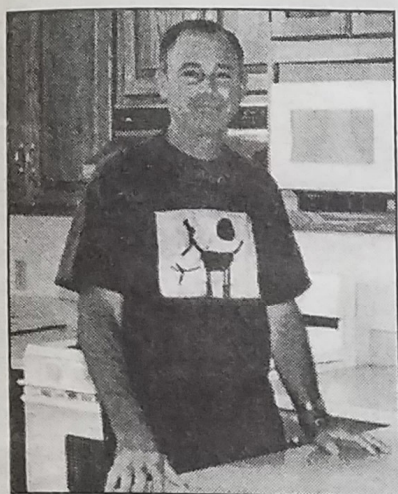
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JEEWON KIM (left), president of the PGHS Key Club, and Jody Aliotto, Youth Program Coordinator, are planning a dance for students soon at the new Youth Center on Laurel Street.



KEN DURAN and Lou Sass, PGHS students, line up their shots, on a Saturday afternoon. Pool, ping-pong, table hockey, pin-ball, video games, and TV are activities available at the youth center.



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